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SUBJ: MFA EXPRESSES SURPRISE AT DEPUTY SECRETARY'S DELHI
STATEMENT

REF: ISLAMABAD 7662

1. JULY 29 PAKISTAN TIMES FRONTPAGES STORY HEADLINED "HEGEMONY
DOCTRINE NOT ACCEPTABLE". ARTICLE NOTES THAT AN MFA SPOKESMAN
HAS EXPRESSED "SURPRISE" AT DEPUTY SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER'S
COMMENT IN DELHI THAT "THE UNITED STATES EXPECTS INDIA TO TAKE
THE POSITION OF LEADERSHIP IN SOUTH ASIA". (SIC).

2. THE SPOKESMAN CONTENDED SUCH STATEMENTS WERE INCONSISTENT
WITH SECRETARY VANCE'S JANUARY STATEMENT THAT THE US WILL FOLLOW
AN EVEN-HANDED POLICY IN THE REGION, AND WITH THE SHANGHAI
COMMUNIQUE WHICH STATES OUR OPPOSITION TO ANY NATION ESTABLISHING
HEGEMONY IN ASIA. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION, THE SPOKESMAN
SAID THAT THE MATTER HAD BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THE US EMBASSY
WHICH OFFERED THE EXPLANATION THAT THE DEPUTY SECRETARY HAD BEEN
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MISQUOTED AND SAID "A LEADING ROLE" NOT "LEADERSHIP".

3. AS NOTED REFTTEL, DIRECTOR GENERAL'S (AMERICAS) REMARKS TO
DCM ON THE CHRISTOPHER VISIT WERE CHARACTERIZED BY HER AS
"PRIVATE" AND UNOFFICIAL. NEWSPAPER ARTICLE ALSO MISREPRESENTS
DCM'S STATEMENT TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL. DCM HAS SAID THAT THE
DEPUTY SECRETARY'S COMMENT SHOULD BE VIEWED IN THE CONTEXT OF

THE OBJECTIVE REALITIES OF THE SUBCONTINENT, WHICH MANDATE A
LEADING ROLE FOR INDIA IN ACHIEVING REGIONAL PEACE AN STABILITY.
DCM ALSO REITERATED THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO CHANGE IN US POLICY
TOWARD THE SUBCONTINENT.
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